FISCAL NOTE

HB 3315 - SB 3304

February 21, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the court may impose a sentence of imprisonment for up to 30 days for violation of an order of protection. Violation of an order of protection is currently punished as contempt of court with up to 10 days imprisonment and a \$50 fine.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$300,000

Estimate assumes a significant increase in the number of days of imprisonment for this offense.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director